

SUMMARY OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Tolentino for granting an interview on March 17, 2009, and for considering proposed amendments and arguments regarding deficiencies in the prior art, particularly the Spiegel, Hamzy, Challener, and Giordano references.

During the interview, Applicants attempted to clarify that the claimed invention involves a method for protecting one or more user settings from being modified by an application without user authorization of the modification. Examiner Tolentino agreed that this limitation appeared to distinguish the claimed invention from the cited references, but may require a further search. Examiner Tolentino suggested Applicants present formal amendments outlining this distinction. The present communication is submitted in this regard.